

CLASSIFICATION **SECRET**COUNTRY **East Germany** REPORTTOPIC **Soviet Troop Trains** 25X1

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REMARKS 25X1

1. **[redacted]** troop trains were dispatched in the area of the RBD Cottbus between 7 and 24 July 1955:

B - boxcar; F - flatcar; SSy - heavy-duty flatcar.

| Date in July | Composition of Troop Train | From | To | |
|--------------|---|----------------------|----------------|-----|
| 7 | 60 cars, approximately 50 trucks, approximately 12 guns | Cottbus | Altengrabow |) 1 |
| | 60 cars, approximately 30 trucks, guns, troops | Cottbus | Altengrabow | |
| 9 | 14 SSy, 4 B, armored personnel carriers, guns, troops | Cottbus | Altengrabow |) |
| 10 | 9 SSy, 6 F, 3 B, tanks, trucks, troops | Baruth (Brandenburg) | Lieberose | |
| 11 | 3 SSy, tanks | Weisswasser | Cottbus | 2 |
| 13 | 6 F, 2 B, new trucks with troops | Baruth | Frankfurt/Oder | |
| 18 | 63 cars. 1.200 tons: | Wurzen | Schwepnitz | 3 |
| | 58 cars. 1.200 tons: | Wurzen | Schwepnitz | 3 |
| 19 | 60 cars, 1,200 tons; | Leisnig | Koenigsbrueck | 3 |
| | 10 SSy, 9 JS-3 tanks with 6 bogie wheels, 1 SP gun | Cottbus | Justerbog | 4 |
| | 58 cars, including B, 30 to 40 loaded trucks, troops | Wuensdorf | Lieberose | 5 |

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| Date in July | Composition of Troop Train | From | To |
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| 20 | 1 F, trucks 12 B, troops | Frankfurt/Oder | Jueterbog 6 |
| | approximately 20 F with closed trucks (radio trucks) | Altengrabow | Lieberose 7 |
| 21 | 9 B with troops, 51 F, 48 trucks, including approximately 20 radio trucks, 6 towing light guns, 6 towing trailers, 1 sedan | Altengrabow | Frankfurt/Oder 7 |
| 22 | 35 F, 10 B, trucks and troops | Frankfurt/Oder | Altengrabow 7 |
| 24 | 6 SSy, 6 tanks with 6 bogie wheels | Cottbus | Falkenberg (?) |

2. The following military shipments, which came from a westerly direction and proceeded to Doeberitz, passed through Wustrow on 24 July:

First Shipment. Eleven T-34/85 tanks, 4 SU-85 guns, approximately 20 trucks, 2 armored personnel carriers, and 10 boxcars with personnel.

Second Shipment. Six 122-mm howitzers, 6 x 120-mm mortars, approximately 26 trucks, 2 repair-shop trucks, and 6 converted boxcars with personnel.

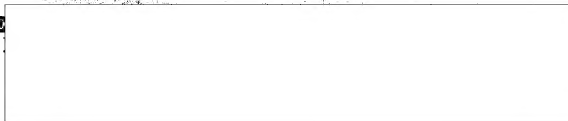
Third Shipment. Two 85-mm AT guns, 2 x 57-mm AT guns, 1 x 120-mm mortar, 14 armored personnel carriers, 4 trucks, and 8 converted boxcars with personnel.⁸

1. Comment. The trains probably carried artillery units of the 9th Mecz Div, which went to Altengrabow for firing practices. 25X1
2. Comment. These were tank firing details of the 9th Mecz Div, which returned from the Weisswasser training grounds. 25X1
3. Comment. Units of the 8th Gds Mecz Div apparently went to Koenigstrueck for firing practices. 25X1
4. Comment. A tank detail of the 9th Mecz Div presumably went to Jueterbog for firing practices. 25X1
5. Comment. the train possibly carried elements of the 69th Mecz Regt of the 9th Mecz Div, which were transferred to the Lieberose training area. 25X1
6. Comment. A unit of the 7th Gds Mecz Div presumably transferred to the Jueterbog training grounds. 25X1
7. Comment. The trains are believed to have carried units of the 7th Gds Mecz Div, which went to, and/or returned from, Altengrabow. The large number of signal vehicles is worth noting. Since, however, the alleged signal vehicles towed guns, source probably confused the vehicles. 25X1



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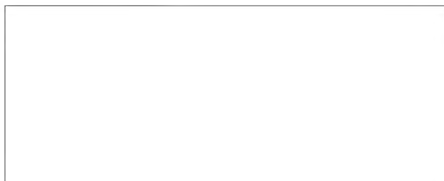


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8.  Comment. Artillery and tank units of the 1st Mecz Div, which had been transferred to the Wittstock training grounds in about 9 shipments between 13 and 20 July, returned to their post after 20 July. 

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